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Present: *President* IWASAWA; *Vice-President* SEBUTINDE; *Judges* TOMKA, ABRAHAM, XUE, BHANDARI, NOLTE, CHARLESWORTH, BRANT, GÓMEZ ROBLEDÓ, CLEVELAND, AURESCU, TLADI, HMOUD, OKOWA; *Registrar* GAUTIER.

The International Court of Justice,

Composed as above,

After deliberation,

Having regard to Article 48 of the Statute of the Court and to Articles 31, 44, 45, paragraph 2, and 48 of the Rules of Court,

Having regard to the Application filed by the Islamic Republic of Iran (hereinafter “Iran”) on 27 June 2023 instituting proceedings against Canada concerning certain measures allegedly taken by Canada in violation of the immunities to which Iran is entitled under international law,

Having regard to the Order dated 16 October 2023, whereby the Court fixed 16 October 2024 and 16 October 2025 as the respective time-limits for the filing of a Memorial by Iran and a Counter-Memorial by Canada,

Having regard to the Memorial of Iran and to the Counter-Memorial of Canada filed within the time-limits thus fixed;

Whereas, on 5 December 2025, a meeting was held by the President of the Court with the Agents and representatives of the Parties pursuant to Article 31 of the Rules of Court, in order to ascertain their views on the subsequent procedure in the case;

Whereas, at this meeting, the Agent of Iran stated that a Reply was necessary in order to respond to various contentious issues raised by Canada in its Counter-Memorial; whereas he further observed that his Government was simultaneously engaged in the preparation of oral and written pleadings in four other cases before the Court, placing significant demands on Iran in terms of time and resources; whereas, in conclusion, according to the Agent, a period of six months, from the date of the adoption of the Court's Order fixing time-limits, would be appropriate for the preparation of its Reply;

Whereas the Co-Agent of Canada indicated that her Government also considered that a second round of written pleadings was necessary; whereas the Co-Agent noted that it was apparent from the first round of written pleadings that the Parties were in disagreement over numerous complex factual and legal issues; whereas the Co-Agent explained that Canada did not entertain any diplomatic relations with Iran — a situation which had an adverse influence on the ability to obtain evidence relating to the case; whereas she noted that Canada had three further cases pending before the Court; and whereas, in the circumstances, she asked for a period of 12 months, from the filing of the Reply, for the submission of the Rejoinder of Canada;

Taking into account the views of the Parties,

Authorizes the submission of a Reply by the Islamic Republic of Iran and a Rejoinder by Canada;

Fixes the following time-limits for the filing of these written pleadings:

9 September 2026 for the Reply of the Islamic Republic of Iran;

9 June 2027 for the Rejoinder of Canada; and

Reserves the subsequent procedure for further decision.

Done in French and in English, the French text being authoritative, at the Peace Palace, The Hague, this ninth day of December, two thousand and twenty-five, in three copies, one of which will be placed in the archives of the Court and the others transmitted to the Government of the Islamic Republic of Iran and the Government of Canada, respectively.

(Signed) IWASAWA Yuji,
President.

(Signed) Philippe GAUTIER,
Registrar.
